## Resolution of the Gillespie County Republican Party Condemning the Vote on the Motion on the Previous Question on HR 4

WHEREAS, Ellen Troxclair was elected as the Republican Party of Texas nominee for State Representative of Texas House District 19, which includes Gillespie County, in the General Election of 2024, to serve the interests and values of her Republican constituents; and

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2025, Representative Ellen Troxclair committed a censurable act, as defined by Rule 44 of the Republican Party of Texas, by voting in favor of the "nuclear option" motion on the Texas House Floor—specifically, the motion for the previous question—which forced through House rules without opportunity for amendments or debate; and

WHEREAS, 35 Republican Representatives are listed (either by voting against or by asking to be shown as voting no) in the House Journal as no votes on the motion for Previous Question, and

WHEREAS, the Republican Party of Texas, in its official resolution dated February 6, 2025, or prior to April 22, 2025, condemned the vote in favor of the motion for the previous question as a censurable act, asserting that it violated the RPT Preamble, Legislative Priorities, and the rights of voters to proper representation through open deliberation (https://texasgop.org/official-documents/#resolutions); and

WHEREAS, this act of supporting the "nuclear option" denied not only Gillespie County constituents, but all Texans, their right to representation through their elected officials, as enshrined in Article 1, Section 2 of the Texas Constitution, by stifling the deliberative process fundamental to republican governance, and is seen as empowering Democrat priorities over Republican principles; and

WHEREAS, under Rule 44 of the Republican Party of Texas, a single censurable act is noted, and the commission of three such acts results in formal censure; Representative Troxclair has, to date, committed one censurable act by this vote, placing her on notice of potential further consequences; and

**WHEREAS,** the Gillespie County Republican Party holds that such actions undermine the trust of its members and the voters of House District 19, who expect adherence to conservative principles and accountability to the electorate;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Gillespie County Republican Party formally recognizes Representative Ellen Troxclair's vote in favor of Previous Question on HR 4 on January 23, 2025, as a censurable act under Rule 44 of the Republican Party of Texas, consistent with the RPT's resolution condemning this vote; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Representative Troxclair is hereby placed on notice that this constitutes her first censurable act, and the accumulation of three such acts will result in formal censure by this body, as prescribed by Rule 44; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Gillespie County Republican Party calls upon Representative Troxclair to reconsider her legislative conduct, align her actions with the RPT platform and the will of Gillespie County voters, and refrain from further censurable acts that erode republican governance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be delivered to Representative Ellen Troxclair no less than seven (7) days prior to the May 13, 2025, Gillespie County Republican Party Executive Committee Meeting, and, following the final vote of the Executive Committee, the executed version shall be transmitted to the Republican leadership within the Texas House of Representatives, Governor Greg Abbott, Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick, Attorney General Ken Paxton, Republican Party of Texas Chair Abraham George, Republican Party of Texas Vice Chair D'Rinda Randall, and made available to the public for full transparency; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Gillespie County Republican Party reaffirms its commitment to holding elected officials accountable to the principles of limited government, open deliberation, and faithful representation of its constituents.

**ADOPTED** this 22nd day of April, 2025, by the Gillespie County Republican Party Executive Committee.

Submitted by:

Linda McCann, Secretary of the Gillespie County Republican Executive Committee